

But the Food Bank's work didn't stop there—it continues to address root causes of hunger by providing education and resources to those experiencing food insecurity so they can lift themselves out of poverty and advocate for others. Its culinary program has successfully graduated more than 700 students since the program began in 2002, and its graduates can be found in some of the finest restaurants around the country.

I particularly want to highlight the work the Food Bank of Delaware and its 54 full- and part-time employees have done and continue to do since March 16, 2020, when they were called to respond to the overwhelming need brought on by the COVID-19 pandemic. During this time they facilitated 33 mass drive through food distribution events throughout Delaware serving 42,847 households, served 34,706 households through the Healthy Pantry Centers at its Newark and Milford locations, distributed 153,431 Farmers to Families Food Boxes, and provided 353,009 meals and snacks to homeless Delawareans housed throughout the State to slow the spread of the coronavirus.

On behalf of both, U.S. Senator CHRIS COONS and U.S. Representative LISA BLUNT ROCHESTER, I rise today to honor the Food Bank of Delaware, its employees, and volunteers for 40 years of continued dedication to the health and nourishment of the citizens of Delaware. We know your impact on the lives of so many has been great, and your goal of ending hunger is one we will continue to work together on until we can reach the goal of eradicating food insecurity for all in Delaware.●

#### TRIBUTE TO ALEC FRAZIER

● Mr. VAN HOLLEN. Mr. President, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of Alexander Fuld Frazier, a remarkable constituent who tirelessly advocated for disability rights for himself and on behalf of others.

Alec emerged as a leader and powerful advocate for disability rights and inclusion early in life. When he was 13, he spoke before sessions of Colorado's House and Senate Education Committees about the importance of special education funding. Thanks to his efforts, Colorado ultimately lifted the cap on funds for special education through a State constitutional amendment. At an early age, Alec was successful in pushing for change that meaningfully improved the lives of others.

I first met Alec in 2017 through his advocacy on Capitol Hill. He shared firsthand how Medicaid made it possible for him to lead a complete, fulfilling life. Alec was diagnosed with autism at a young age, and some professionals suggested institutionalization as he grew up. With the help of Medicaid, he benefitted from many services including therapy and an emergency brain surgery that saved his life.

Through his advocacy, he stood up for the millions of people who would have been severely harmed by past legislative proposals to slash Medicaid.

Alec was a man of many talents and pursuits. He attained his bachelor's degree in political science and master's degree in disability studies. In 2014, he founded his own advocacy firm called Autistic Reality and served as a powerful peer advocate, mentor, and advisor to others. Alec also published two books, "Without Fear: The First Autistic Superhero" and "Veni! Vidi! Autism!," that shape how we think about the representation of people with autism and disabilities in the arts. Through his written and spoken words, Alec sought to deepen others' understanding and appreciation of the varied experiences of people living with autism and disabilities.

Alec believed in and exemplified the motto, "nothing about us without us." Any individual or group of people deserve to shape the decisions made about them. Alec shaped his own path and destiny, and he empowered others to do the same along the way.

I ask my colleagues to join me in sending our gratitude for Alec Frazier's life, as well as our condolences to his father Donald Frazier, his mother Danielle Fuld, and his brother Nicholas Fuld Frazier. May we carry on his work to build a more inclusive society where all Americans can thrive and reach their highest potential.●

#### MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Ridgway, one of his secretaries.

#### EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

In executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

(The messages received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

#### MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

S. 937. A bill to facilitate the expedited review of COVID-19 hate crimes, and for other purposes.

#### MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bills were read the first time:

H.R. 1868. An act to prevent across-the-board direct spending cuts, and for other purposes.

S. 963. A bill to authorize dedicated domestic terrorism offices within the Department of Homeland Security, the Department of

Justice, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation to analyze and monitor domestic terrorist activity and require the Federal Government to take steps to prevent domestic terrorism, and for other purposes.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. MANCHIN, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:

Special Report entitled "History, Jurisdiction, and a Summary of Activities of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources During the 116th Congress" (Rept. No. 117-4).

By Mr. SCHATZ, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, without amendment:

S. 144. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services, acting through the Director of the Indian Health Service, to acquire private land to facilitate access to the Desert Sage Youth Wellness Center in Hemet, California, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 117-5).

S. 371. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to take certain land located in Pinal County, Arizona, into trust for the benefit of the Gila River Indian Community, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 117-6).

By Mr. MENENDEZ, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, without amendment and with a preamble:

S. Res. 22. A resolution reaffirming the partnership between the United States and the Republic of Ecuador and recognizing the restoration and advancement of economic relations, security, and development opportunities in both nations.

S. Res. 34. A resolution recognizing the 200th anniversary of the independence of Greece and celebrating democracy in Greece and the United States.

By Mr. MENENDEZ, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and with an amended preamble:

S. Res. 35. A resolution condemning the military coup that took place on February 1, 2021, in Burma and the Burmese military's detention of civilian leaders, calling for an immediate and unconditional release of all those detained and for those elected to serve in parliament to resume their duties without impediment, and for other purposes.

S. Res. 36. A resolution reaffirming the strategic partnership between the United States and Mongolia and recognizing the 30th anniversary of democracy in Mongolia.

S. Res. 37. A resolution expressing solidarity with the San Isidro Movement in Cuba, condemning escalated attacks against artistic freedoms in Cuba, and calling for the repeal of laws that violate freedom of expression and the immediate release of arbitrarily detained artists, journalists, and activists.

By Mr. MENENDEZ, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, without amendment and with a preamble:

S. Res. 44. A resolution denouncing the Maduro regime's fraudulent legislative elections, the absence of acceptable conditions to ensure free, fair, and transparent electoral processes in Venezuela, and the further erosion of Venezuelan democracy.

S. Res. 81. A resolution honoring Las Damas de Blanco, a women-led nonviolent movement in support of freedom and human rights in Cuba, and calling for the release of all political prisoners in Cuba.

By Mr. MENENDEZ, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and an amendment to the title and with an amended preamble:

S. Res. 97. A resolution calling on the Government of Ethiopia, the Tigray People's Liberation Front, and other belligerents to